



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Accompanying Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.53:

Prior Application: H. MURAYAMA et al  
Serial No. 09/227,740  
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Examiner: T. Thai  
For: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure, the applicants inform the Examiner of the documents cited during prosecution of the parent application, USSN 09/227,740.

The above-referenced application is a continuation application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/227,740, filed January 8, 1999.

The Applicant requests the Examiner to initial and return a copy of the attached PTO-1449 form as an indication that the references have been considered.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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